REPORT NO. 77-3-40

FOREST INSECT AND DISEASE MANAGEMENT UNIT
U.S. FOREST SERVICE
DORAVILLE, GEORGIA

REPORT OF AERIAL DETECTION SURVEY

LAND OWNERSHIP OR SURVEY AREA:
1. Talladega National Forest
2. Conecuh National Forest
3. Tuskegee National Forest
4. William B. Bankhead National Forest

STATE: Alabama

AREA WITHIN SURVEY BOUNDARY: 1,088,200 acres

DATE SURVEYED: 8/9-14/77

PERCENT COVERAGE: 50%

AIRCRAFT: Cessna 182

CREW: C. W. Dull
W. A. Carothers

SURVEY OBJECTIVES: To detect the presence of any forest insect or disease activity within the protection boundaries of the National Forests in Alabama.

SURVEY RESULTS AND CONCLUSIONS

1. No unusual insect or disease activity noted.
2. Scattered small spots of dead pine trees ranging in size from 1-5 trees were observed.
3. No large spots or large concentration of small spots were found.
4. Most of the dead pines were probably the result of lightning strikes and *Ips* spp. bark beetle activity.
5. National Forest personnel should maintain constant field surveillance.

For any additional information, Contact

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